

# TEC

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*from the*

### PRESIDENT'S DESK

A special thank you goes to all our TEC friends who sent us get well cards and letters, as it was appreciated by us. I'm learning to walk with a cane so I think I'm doing good. I thought I did alright then Al put a drill through my finger so now I think I earned a Purple Heart or something. I think I was paid in full as John Spadone sent me a special punch that makes holes in coins. So a nice thank you to John for helping me out. Never heard of this before.

We do have a few members who have ordered a 1982 TEC badge and if all goes well we will have something different. We will go back to having a special die made for a convention badge as we used to. I will still wait two more weeks after you receive TEC NEWS so you can order a badge if you haven't yet. No more will be made after the orders are taken. So write to me (Sally Kirka) if you want to order for this year. Please do not send any money now, as we are only taking orders now. We will not sell by mail until late September. As every thing is higher we won't know the price of the badges until the July issue. So they will go up this year also depending on what coins are rolled.

We got very little response for coins to be auctioned off at the TEC meeting. Yet I will have a small auction at the meeting as we do have some special rare pieces. So if you still want to donate some special coin for this auction, send it to me at once. All the coins given to me at the TEC meeting will be used for next year.

God Bless the two nice members who will donate coins for our TEC table at the convention. Lets hope we can get a few new members out of this. More about this later as I want to be sure about the coins.

A special notice was put in each letter of those who didn't pay dues. The deadline for paying dues is April 1st. After that they will be dropped until dues are paid. So if you hear of someone saying they didn't receive TEC NEWS, ask them if they had forgotten to pay their 1982 dues. All were notified their dues were due. We hope we hear from all as some may have forgotten. I know once they don't get their TEC NEWS we will hear from many. Many haven't paid their 1981

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dues either, our records show. To keep your number you must pay back dues or come in as a new member again.

I will go back to giving awards for the different things as we did before. This was all voted in before and no vote is needed. So some nice surprises are in the works.

A special thanks goes to all that have donated to the A.N.A. Building Fund. This makes me feel proud as we are already over the 150 dollar mark and I'm hoping to make it \$200. This was all donated by our TEC members and not TEC money. We will give a check to an A.N.A. officer at the TEC meeting in Boston. If you haven't given and would like to still donate, please send in your donation as soon as you can.

If anyone has extra coins they want to donate for TEC meeting, why not send them to me at once. Time is growing short. If no coins are donated for this then no give away at meeting. We do end up with some anyhow. I'm only interested to get coins for TEC members only at TEC meeting. I'll appreciate hearing from anyone interested in doing this. If you do this on your own its your business but no credit is given by TEC.

We do have one program for our TEC meeting, so things are shaping up. Anyone having any new ideas lets hear from them. Write to me at once as maybe it could help all of us.

If you have an article for TEC NEWS please send it right in. Please only send interesting articles about our elongated coins. The deadline means just that and no exceptions. You'd be surprised how many send in weeks late and ask they hope they aren't late. You can bet they are. If its not late or old news, it all goes in next issue. Make your article short and sweet and to the point. As we limit the pages, articles should be one page only. More than that it will go in two parts. Lets keep them interesting. There will be a Literary Award given for the most interesting article in TEC NEWS.

The date of the A.N.A. convention is Aug. 17-22, 1982 in Boston, Mass. Please write to the A.N.A. for more information on this as all I know is what I see in Coin World and Numismatic News. They keep giving all the latest news on convention. To get a room you must get a card from A.N.A. Box 2366, Colorado Springs, CO 80901. Room rates are (#1) Sheraton-Boston- Hotel, Headquarters. \$87., \$94., \$99. (#2) Colonnade Luxury Hotel is within walking distance, \$74., \$92., \$100. (#3) Lenox, walking distance three blocks \$76., \$82., \$88. (#4) Midtown, motel style with free parking, walking distance 5 minutes, \$63. (#5) Copley Square, walking distance a good three blocks, \$60., \$66., \$70., \$80., (#6) Howard Johnson's, 57 Plaza. walking distance 9 blocks, take subway or \$3.00 cab ride, \$85. (#7) Boston Park Plaza walking distance 8 blocks or \$3, cab ride or subway, \$67., \$78., \$83. (#8) Fenway Boylston (Quality Inn). walking distance 5 blocks, \$63., plus hotel tax. If single room is desired deduct approximately \$10., off room rate. More information next month but by then most rooms will be full. Your best bet is write to the A.N.A. or watch the numismatic newsletters for this. I can not help you much on this as I do not know myself this year. I also do not know the day of our meeting as yet as the A.N.A. has not sent us any notification as to what day we can have our TEC meeting.

A happy and Blessed Easter to you all. So have a happy day until we see you all again. The good Lord willing we will see you all at the A.N.A. convention in Boston, Massachusetts. I love you all and God Bless you all.

Sally Kirka  
TEC president

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## DEADLINE NOTICE

DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE

MAY 18, 1982

## DOUGLAS MACARTHUR

by Irving R. Canter  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

"I SHALL RETURN" Most everyone can remember these famous words uttered by this great man and return he did to the Philippines and retook every foot of land he grudgingly gave up to the overpowering forces of the Japanese Empire, during the early years of the war in the Pacific. He was one of the leading generals of WWII. He gallantly defended Bataan Peninsula in the Philippines in the early days of the war and later lead the Allied forces to victory in the southwest Pacific. After the war he proved his ability as a statesman in his administration of the occupation and reorganization of Japan.

Lets acquaint you with some of Douglas MacArthur's early career. He was born in Little Rock, Arkansas on January 26, 1880. His father was Arthur MacArthur who joined the Union Army at 17 and fought in the Civil War. During young Douglas' early manhood his father served in Cuba and the Philippines and became Assistant Chief of Staff of the Army in 1906. He later returned as a Lieutenant General in 1909. Douglas MacArthur was graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in 1903 as the leading man in his class. He spent his first year after graduation as an engineer helping to map the Philippines. He then served in various posts in the U.S. until 1914 when he took part in the Mexican expedition as assistant to the Engineer officer. He advanced to the rank of Colonel when the U.S. entered WWI and became Chief of Staff of the famous Rainbow Division. He was officially praised for bravery in action and became a Brigadier General in 1918. MacArthur returned to the Philippines in 1922 for three years as commander of the Philippine Division and became a General in 1930. He then became the youngest Army Chief of Staff in U.S. history. From 1935 to 1941 MacArthur worked as military advisor for the Philippines to prepare the islands against an expected Japanese attack. President Franklin D. Roosevelt, named MacArthur commander of all U.S. forces (Army) in the far east, in July 1941. He held this position when the Japanese attacked the Philippines on December 8, 1941. His forces were isolated but fought desperately. MacArthur withdrew his troops to Bataan Peninsula, where they resisted courageously for four months. In March of 1942, Roosevelt ordered MacArthur to the Australian theatre, where he became the commander of the Allied forces in the southwest Pacific. By night, a navy torpedo boat took MacArthur and his wife and son from Corregidor to the Southern Philippines, from there they flew to Australia where he spoke of his reluctance to leave his men in the Philippines and made his famous promise, "I SHALL RETURN".

The road back was not an easy task. MacArthur spent several months assembling men and supplies. Late in 1942, he opened a three year offensive against the Japanese. By early 1944, his troops had freed most of New Guinea, New Britain, the Solomons and the Admiralty islands. By autumn of 1944, he was ready to make good his promise to return to the Philippines. On October 20, 1944 his forces invaded Leyte Island, and six months later, most of the Philippine Islands were free.

MacArthur became General of the Army in December 1944 and took command of all American Army Forces in the Pacific. In April 1945 President Truman announced Japanese acceptance of Allied surrender terms. On August 14, 1945, Truman named MacArthur Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers and to receive the surrender and to rule Japan. MacArthur accepted the Japanese surrender aboard the Battleship Missouri on Sept. 2 (Sept 1, in the United States proper.) He set up headquarters in Tokyo and became the sole administrator of the Military Government in Japan. His firm but fair methods soon won him the respect of the Japanese people. His introduction of reforms in edu-

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cation, government and industry were designed to turn Japan into a Democratic Nation.

After the invasion of South Korea in 1950 by the North Korean Communists, the United Nations authorized him to organize Armed Forces to combat the Communists. MacArthur Then added the job of U.N. Commander in Korea, to his occupational duties. When the Chinese Communists entered the war on the side of the North Koreans, MacArthur wanted to attack the Chinese mainland. His superiors forbade this action on the grounds that it would increase the risk of provoking another World War. MacArthur made several public statements that did not seem to agree with U.N. policies and those of the United States and Defence Departments. In April 1951, Truman, relieved MacArthur of his Far Eastern Command, causing a nationwide controversy. MacArthur returned home and received a hero's welcome and defended his policies in a memorable address before a joint meeting of Congress. He recalled the military ballad that said, "Old Soldiers Never Die, They Just Fade Away." He ended his speech by saying, "And like that old soldier in that ballad, I now close my military career and just fade away, an old soldier who tried to do his duty as God gave him the light to see that duty. "Goodby".

In 1962 MacArthur became board chairman of Remington-Rand, Inc. In our TEC Bible, my favorite reference book, Dottie Dow's, The Elongated Collector, there are two varieties of General Douglas MacArthur listed. One shows the U.S. flag above a bust of the General, facing left with the word Manilla at the bottom, surrounded by a dotted border. The other listed under Presidents and Presidential Candidates and other famous people are the words, "Our Hero". Above the bust of MacArthur facing right with the words, "General Douglas MacArthur surrounded by a dotted border. I believe, a great American, Patriot, Soldier and Gentleman deservedly merited such recognition; perhaps much more.

ZINC PENNIES ARE NICE TOO

by Sally Kirka  
Manchester, Conn.

On February 8th of this year I received a letter from Frank Brazzell telling me he received some new zinc pennies, so he rolled some samples out and he sent me a few pennies to try out.

The next day I went down to try out how they would roll out on my machine. To my surprise I found them much easier to roll than the copper pennies. Although the copper pennies were easy to roll too. Also as I rolled the pennies out I find the Zinc shows through and the zinc gives sort of a silver tone showing through the copper. If anything I think the pennies look nice. In some places it gives the look on some pennies as if you did silver printing or engraving on the pennies.

So from what I see the new zinc pennies will really help us a lot. I guess we all would like to have copper pennies but if we can't the zinc pennies will also do alright for us. They also weight less than the copper pennies.

Now if the zinc pennies will turn darker quicker I do not know but we will have to wait and see. I know I can flatten them much easier with my fingers where before as I flatten all my elongated coins I ended up with a sore finger at times. On one of the pennies I rolled its hard to tell if its a penny and looks more like a clad dime. So not much copper plating on them. You will easily tell the pennies apart as the zinc is brighter than the copper penny. So it looks like we will see a lot of the zinc pennies around.

## THE INTERNATIONAL ELONGATED MACHINE

by Frank Brazzell  
Terre Haute, Ind.

The first of January I received a call from Dave True from New Orleans. Dave had just purchased an elongated machine from Linnie in Hawaii and had called me several times in regards to me making dies for him and the working of his machine. Today the call was a little different. He had two brothers there from France and they had seen him rolling elongated coins on Bourbon St., and was fascinated by the machine and they wanted one. Now one of the brothers could speak English enough to get by and was a professional skier. The other brother could speak no English and owns a fancy restaurant on a Tourist Island off the coast of France. They were in America because of a ski race and one brother was in out in Colorado the end of January. They came over earlier and were traveling around the country to see the sights before the race.

When Dave told me they wanted a machine right now I told him I may have one ready in a few days, maybe, and what about the dies? What kind of dies did they want engraved? Well, Dave said he would call me back later after he had a chance to talk to them about this. He called me back and told me they were on their way from New Orleans up to Terre Haute, Indiana to talk to me and buy a machine. I began to wonder about this as its over a 800 mile drive and these two men from France driving up here, one speaks no English and from what Dave told me about them I didn't know what to believe.

Well, the next afternoon in walks two men asking for me. They told me they drove up from New Orleans to buy an elongated machine. So we sat and talked. I did the best I could to understand what they wanted in the way of dies to be engraved. Finally I called my wife to come on over and help me out. She teaches English, Spanish and French in High School so I figured I could use her help. The boys wanted two dies made and were calling France to check on the store card die wording for the restaurant when my wife showed up. Between the one who could speak a little English and my wife speaking French we finally figured out what they wanted on a die. The second die was an island scene with the sun and a fish and large palm tree. After getting a rough sketch made, they paid me for the machine and said they would be back in 30 days to pick up the machine and dies and go to New York where they would ship the machine back to France.

I finished the dies in a few days and then test rolled them. The brothers told me they could not roll French coins on the machine as its against the law in their country. They plan to use tokens or have blanks made to use in the machine. As I was test rolling the dies I ran a few sets of coins thru the machine. I rolled 4 SBA dollars, 6 quarters, 10 dimes and 10 nickels and about 30 or so pennies. This way I could make up four complete sets of U.S. coins from the die and have a few extra pennies and nickels and dimes and two quarters. Well a friend of mine came in and I was telling him about my unusual experience. Now Brad Ream is a collector of French coins and the fact that French coins could not be rolled in France gave us an idea. Why not roll a few French coins off the dies? I checked and found I had only a few odd coins on hand. So Brad went home and brought back 4-10 Francs, 4-5 Francs, 6 or 7-2 Francs and about 10-1 Francs and 8 or 10 of the 50 centimes, 20 and 10 centimes and 4 of the 5 centimes and only 3 of the 1 centimes. Very carefully we started rolling these on the Island of Porquerelles die as it had a nice design on it. We got three perfect sets made from 1¢ up to 10 Francs, all 9 coins, then a set from 5¢ to 10 Francs, an eight coin set.

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Then I rolled the other French coins. Brad kept nine sets and I kept nine sets and we plan to give TEC the other nine sets for the TEC meeting in Boston. I will also give TEC a set of U.S. coins from 1¢ to SBA dollar to also use at the TEC meeting in Boston. There are only four U.S. sets and three complete nine piece French sets made off this die while it was here in the States. Brad has a few odd and end French coins left and I have a few coins left but the brothers came by and picked up the machine. It is now in France on the Island of Perquerolles so if you are ever over that way, drop by the restaurant La Patisserie and have a coin rolled. It will be the only way you can get one of the elongated coins from these two dies.

I have a few coins rolled from the store card restaurant die and four complete U.S. sets. I also rolled a few foreign coins off both dies or about two dozen of each die. A third of them were rolled to long or to short as it was hard to judge foreign coins when rolling. It takes two or three coins sometimes to set your pressure on the machine.

I would like to thank Dave True for calling me on this unusual sale and Brad Ream for making the French coins available so we could roll three complete sets. One of which will be available for auction or door prize or what ever TEC president decides to do with it. All the coins from this die are very limited and I have a complete list of each as I felt since the machine was going out of the country I know that no coins are going to be available from these dies.

As for Dave True he has joined TEC and I engraved a Super Bowl die for him and some Mardi Gras dies and he has purchased another machine from me. Brad Ream has also purchased a machine and we are working on his first dies. All in all it was an interesting experience.

## NEW MEMBERS FOR 1982

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## COINS DONATED

The elongated coin given with this issue of TEC NEWS was donated by Irving Canter of Brooklyn, New York. In the last issue of TEC NEWS Irving had an article about St. Patricks Cathedral and he also donated the St. Patrick Cathedral elongated pennies mailed out with that issue. In this issue of TEC NEWS the design is the same, however it has been rolled on dimes. We again want to thank Irving Canter for his donation of these coins.

## THE MARK OF THE "Z" (ZINC THAT IS)

by Vance Fowler  
Salem, Oregon

With all the publicity, it must be certain that the zinc pennies are common knowledge. This will be of special interest to us T.E.C. folks. They definitely ARE different.

I mail ordered a single roll for early testing in my automatic machines. (Would you believe I had to pay \$5.20 for 50 of these critters?) I've been laying awake nights for over a year and a half trying to anticipate what they would be like compared to our old standard. Much study in old technical metallurgy books yielded all kinds of confusing data for me. I found where copper and zinc in annealed, pure state, when compared to a standard, would elongate at 56% and 35% respectively.

After taking many measurements and average lengths for my coins at a given pressure setting in my machines I came to the startling conclusion that the new coins would come out just shy of  $\frac{1}{4}$  of an inch short. The result would put me out of business. I cannot control what people put in the automatics.

This caused me to engineer the capability of a switch to nickels with only three minor changes at a cost of \$20 per machine. I would have to change the entry chute, the instruction signs and the injection device between the rollers. It would take about 2½ hours per machine in labor with no die change really necessary. Earlier response tests however show that given the choice people will only run nickel machine about 80% as often as the penny. Alas, it has to be psychological, but it would really hurt sales.

Well, the new pennies came and within about four or five hours I found out all I needed to know about them. Perhaps you might find these facts interesting. I'm certain many more discoveries will be made by rollers as time goes on.

First of all, I was once again astonished to learn how smart I'm not. After all my study and calculations the first zinc coin came longer instead of shorter. In repeated tests I find them to roll easier, come out with slightly greater length and a little bit more straighter than the copper cent. Depending on the depth of the die-cut and design, the rolling can be a little different from the old style to very broken in appearance as the copper plating separates behind raised areas. This gives the same kind of shadowed impression one notices when badly tarnished cents have been rolled. The shadowed portion is bright silver in color when first elongated.

The thin copper coating apparently acts much like a lubricant as the coin is rolled giving a hydraulic effect. This is much like what is experienced when coating a penny with shoe polish causing a longer coin than one left uncoated. The resulting zinc elongated is also easier to bend and does not appear to become as work hardened as the old cents. They don't register on the Rockwell hardness "C" scale at all. (Neither do nickels or the old cents.) This means that for most tool steel dies it is not necessary to heat treat unless large numbers are run off. Now for the bad news, folks.

Zinc elongateds seem more brittle. The edges around the borders and catch notches tend to break from time to time leaving a nasty razor edge more frequently than copper. The exposed zinc areas quickly oxidize and take on a powdery look when in contact for a period of time with something as simple as water. If handled for awhile the chemical reaction can be even more obtrusive and the border between the zinc and copper separations will turn just plain black.

To top it off, the copper coating is evidently pure and takes a "pinkish" look with handling while the old cent had a more pleasing

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## THE MARK OF THE "Z" (ZINC THAT IS)

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bronze tendency. They are about 19% lighter in weight but still seem to go through my gravity feed system smoothly enough. They work, but overall, I just don't like them.

My little automatic machines will soon have this statement added for public information; "Note; new zinc coins may vary in length and color". I will probably not make the switch to nickels in all 21 of my current machines, (3 of them are already nickel eaters) until public demand necessitates it.

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This is the list of TEC members who have so generously donated to the (A.N.A.) American Numismatic Association Building Fund. This is greatly appreciated by your TEC president. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. We now have \$168.50. Come on folks lets make this an even \$200.00, so if you haven't donated yet, lets hear from you. Listed below are the names of the TEC members and how much they have donated.

William C. Henderson	\$50.00	Debra Platson	\$1.00
Paul Aubry	5.00	C. Olson	1.00
Martin J. Rossow	5.00	James Davisson	1.00
Ralph Jobe	5.00	Lester Besse	1.00
Alice A. Plarr	5.00	Adam Klocek	1.00
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James Warmus	1.00	John Izzo	1.00
Harry Flower	1.00	Barbara Izzo	1.00
Chester Grabowski	1.00	Lou Desrochers	1.00

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## BUY - SELL - TRADE

Marie Trinny, P.O. Box 2625, yountville, Calif. 74599 has another of her Kewpie Doll elongated coins made. They are a \$1.00 each plus a S.S.A.E. Don't wait to long as these are being sold fast to the doll collectors. In last letter Marie said only 15 left and no more will be made, so order right away before she goes on her vacation too.

## ALWAYS WORK TO BE DONE

BY AL KIRKA  
MANCHESTER, CONN.

Time for me to get busy and write that article for Sally. I wrote one for the last issue but it somehow never got in as was told there was no room for it. So I still don't know if this will make the April issue of the TEC NEWS.

Since getting our jobs back in TEC we have been very busy trying to iron out the many things that had to be done. Little by little all will be taken care of. Since we only received records in the middle of November after taking office in late July we had lots to do here.

There were times as we received letters from someone Sally and I both wrote to the same TEC member trying to explain things. So writing and answering letters became an every night job. It didn't leave much time to get pneumonia during December and part of January. We kept going as best we could. Poor Sally broke her leg in three places but kept telling me, "have wheel chair will travel," as she moved from room to room in the wheel-chair. At times she seemed like she was enjoying the ride in the chair around the house. Yet it came time to move on and Sally learned to walk on crutches as she does now or as of this writing. To add to all this I cut Sally's toe and she got the toe infected. Now its all bandaged up in cotton and Sally is hopping around on two sore legs now. My wife took this nicely and has suffered her pain silently.

On Saturday February 13th I asked my wife to hold some coins for TEC badges for me while I drilled the holes. We were doing alright until drill slipped and drill went through Sallys fingernail and came out the other end. It all happened so fast Sally didn't scream until she pulled the drill out of her finger and blood went flying around.

Then she screamed so loud I swear my hair stood up on ends of what I have left. Then she did a war dance that no Indian has ever done before. I was so sorry as I knew she was in a lot of pain. I did say I'll rush you to the hospital as by then Sally turned a sickly color. After her hand was taken care of Sally said to me, no one can't say I didn't give my blood to TEC as she sure did.

In all I'm sorry this has to happen but as tomorrow is Valentines Day all I could say is, I love you Sally and Happy Valentines Day. I then handed her a gold cross that she had wanted and one of her elongated coins that she had made a few years ago.

## "DIXIE BATH HOUSE

BY JOHN G. SPADONE  
MIAMI, FLORIDA

To sum up the Dixie Bath House article that was in the January issue of the TEC NEWS the Dixie Bath House is listed as FLA-MIA 7 on page 29 of the book "Yesterday Elongateds" by Lee Martin and Dottie Dow. It was rolled by Bert Elmer in Miami Beach, Florida, directly after leaving the Chicago World's Fair, 1934.

This elongated coin was made from a jewelers rolling mill, purchased by Elmer at Maller's Building 550 Wabash, Chicago, Ill. Owner of the Bath-house was Fred J. Becker (Leeta-wife) lived at 1628 S.W. 8th St., Miami Beach, Florida. Dixie Bath-House was located at 61 Ocean Dr., in 1930, 59-63 Ocean Dr., in last listing 1938. The areas that listed the Bath-House is now a municipal parking lot and apartment building.

If you have a good article, why not send it right in for the TEC NEWS. The deadline is May 18th for articles and ads. your help will be appreciated by your editor, Sally Kirka, 116 Oak Street, Manchester, Conn. 06040.

## BUY - SELL - TRADE

John G. Spadone, 4872 N.W. 171st Terrace, Miami, Fla. 33055 has some P.N.C. covers with elongated coins in them for sale. If anyone is interested in buying some please write to John for his price list and don't forget that self-addressed stamped envelope. John also has a bracelet with five elongated coins on it. It sells for \$35.00. For more information about this write to John.

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If you haven't sent for John's price list you are missing some goodies. So why not write to John for this price list of modern elongated coins. Don't forget that S.S. A.E. Prices are from 50¢ to \$1. each for pennies.

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If you haven't written to James Warmus, Box 1035, Burbank, Calif. 91507 yet for his free price list for a S.S.A.E. it is well worth your time to do so now. I received his list and find he has over a 100 older elongated coins for sale. He just may have one of the early elongated coins you have been looking for.

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John D. Dowd, 440 West 34th St. - 10A, New York, N.Y. 10001, would like to buy elongated coins with a Boy Scout or Girl Scout theme. If anyone has the 1939 Worlds Fair Boy Scouts elongated coin for sale why not write to John and let him know.

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Wanted: Jane Sears, 9323 Waltham Woods Rd., Baltimore, MD. 21234 is interested in buying ORE-LOCE-5 seated frog under an umbrella painting a picture. Please describe and give price when you write to Jane.

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I wish you could read the letters I've received about these pages as this is helping many of the new members and yes, the older members too, buy some of the elongated coins they were looking for. So folks if you want to BUY - SELL - TRADE an elongated coin, please write and tell me about it so I can help you and the ones who would like to buy the coins they have been looking for. The new members are happy to hear of any ones new issues. So come on folks write and tell me about your new issues and send a sample so I will know what you are talking about.

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Frank Brazzell, 2224 Wabash Ave., Terre Haute, Indiana 47807 is selling five new coins, Valentine, Easter, St. Patricks Day, Thanksgiving coin, and 4th of July coin. All rolled on cents, 50¢ each or \$5.00 per dozen, plus postage. Assorted O.K. Also has assorted store card elongated coins, his choice, 12 for \$3.00, all on cents.

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Mark Wright, 2020 Royal St., New Orleans, La. 70116 has three Super Bowl XVI coins and Mardi Gras, Bourbon St., one is an alligator dancing down Bourbon St., with glass of wine. They are 75¢ each or 4/\$2. plus S.S.A.E. He also has limit of 50 original coins of New Orleans Jazz City coin, said fairly poor work done on them, had them redone later, so only 50 of original ones made. This could become a hard to get coin some day as die was changed. All other coins very well done as dies made by Frank Brazzell of Indiana.

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Paul Aubry, 258 Main St., Apt 40, Little Ferry, N.J. 07643, wants TEC convention badges from the following years; 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979 and 1980. Anyone wishing to sell any or all of these TEC badges can write and state your price.

## NOTICE

Nat Nitka a new member from Florida joined TEC in early April 1981 and paid his dues. Until he received his January issue of TEC NEWS it was the first he had heard from anyone from TEC. As we didn't receive the records from the past secretary until Nov. 12, 1981 it was the first we knew that Nat Nitka was a member. We had nothing to do with this mixup, but we are sorry that this happened. Things like this can happen so please accept our apology and we will mark you as paid up for 1982 and your TEC membership card and membership coin is already sent to you.

Marie Trinny also wrote in that she sent in a check for her 1981 dues in late November of 1980 and her check was never cashed or did she hear any more about this. Again we are sorry for this as when we checked the records sent us, her card was taken out of the files. As Marie sent us proof she did send a check we also marked her as paid after she cancelled the old check and sent us a new one. Sorry about this but all is corrected now.

Clay Welty of Colorado sent in a check to TEC on March 25, 1981 and check was cashed May 18, 1981. Yet he never received any TEC membership card or coin or any TEC NEWS. When he wrote us about this on January 30, 1982 we sent him his membership card and coin for 1981 as he did pay his dues. I have no idea if he was listed in TEC NEWS as a new member or not. We are sorry about this mix up but hope this will take care of the mix up. Your 1981 and 1982 TEC membership coins and cards have already been sent to you.

Make sure when new members join that they send us their correct address as many times it could also be the mix up of the postoffice, and really not the fault of anyone. Just lately a check was sent by the treasurer and it went to Vermont before it came to us two weeks later. As a matter of fact, I collect all boo, boos the postoffice makes.

### EDITOR'S NOTES OF INTEREST

A correction is in order for the October issue of elongated coins donated for the TEC NEWS. A special thanks should go to Dottie Dow one of our past presidents and first president of TEC, for the coins she had made and donated to TEC to be given out for the October news. We appreciated the coins very much and always glad to add your coins, to our collection. So thanks again Dottie.

I must also add that Dottie just came home from the hospital after having surgery on her leg. As of this writing Dottie is either in a wheel chair or trying to hop around to help herself a little. Join the club Dottie as I am doing the same. I'm on my own now trying to learn to walk so I know what you're trying to do. Our prayers go with you Dottie and may you get better health real soon. Anyone wishing to write a letter or a card may do so to, - 3105 East Osborn, Phoenix, AR. 85016. Remember when you are sick and under the weather don't expect an answer, as believe me you can't do it, or it just isn't easy to do.

Sorry to hear of the passing away of one of our members husband Hugh Threlkeld who passed away on February 17, 1982 and was buried in Texas on Feb. 20th. Our deepest sympathy and prayers go to Mrs. Hugh Threlkeld, our TEC member, from the TEC officers and members.

Please, I will not offend anyone by putting in obscene coins for sale in TEC NEWS. If anyone wants to do this its their own business but I can't and won't put derogatory things in TEC NEWS. So please be kind and lets keep the TEC NEWS CLEAN. What you do on your own is your business, but TEC NEWS belongs to everyone.

## EDITORS NOTES OF INTEREST

A special thank you to all our friends that have sent Al and I a get well card. We also appreciate all the kind words that members sent in when they paid their dues. I didn't want to say much but as we were doing the January issue of TEC NEWS Al and I were both getting over a bad case of pneumonia so our Christmas season was lost to us. Also pneumonia left Al with lots of fluid and a bad case of phlebitis in both legs and there for awhile it was touch and go. His both legs swelled up so badly up to the knees and were so red we were all worried of what could happen. Believe me our prayers did help us. After Al kept his legs up on about six pillows and lots of help from our Doctor, his legs started to come down. The day Al told me he could put his shoes on I really knew my prayers were answered. So thanks again to all for the kind words sent as a kind word goes a long way to helping anyone get better. Thanks again folks from Sally and Al Kirka, your TEC president and secretary.

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We received a beautiful but sad letter from Mrs. Laura S. Gore TEC #114. Laura sold all her elongated coins and now thinks she should retire. Its a little sad to hear this but knows whats best for her. Laura wrote such a nice letter of goodbye it brought tears to my eyes. Thank you Laura for all the kind words. Also thank you for the \$5.00 worth of stamps you sent Al to be used for TEC letters. Its appreciated by us all. If you ever get lonely, just drop us a line as we always will be glad to hear from a former TEC member anytime. You'll always be welcomed to return when ever you want to, if you care to return. Take care and may God Bless you and your loved ones.

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Thank you Joseph Clarke for writing us you would like to help out with the TEC table at the A.N.A. Convention in Boston, Mass. He's the first member to offer his service to help at this table beside Al and I. So this is a start. Lets hear from others who would like to give a couple hours at our TEC table. I also haven't heard from anyone who would care to give a personal store card elongated coins of a roller so we could give out some elongated coins for this. I will write to a few and let you know what will happen. If we don't get any coins we just can't do this. No harm intended to anyone as its rough to always give all the time. So anyone who can and would like to donate your coins for this, it will be appreciated very much. Its a good way to advertise your business.

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Very sorry to hear of Pearl Crabbs husband illness. We all hope he gets better soon. Maybe when the warm weather comes we all will perk up a little. All this snow and below zero weather can get you down, so don't give up. Our prayers go to you both that you both feel better soon. God Bless you both.

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Support TEC and TEC NEWS. Place paid ads and submit articles or news, sign up new members. Try to help TEC as much as you can. Most of all pay your dues on time, which is now.

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Please send in all dues to the Secretary Al Kirka, 116 Oak Street, Manchester, Conn. 06040. Please make the check out to "The Elongated Collectors or T.E.C. and to no one else. This also gives you a record that your dues have been paid. This will be appreciated by all of us. Thank you to those that have already sent in their dues.

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Deadline for next issue is May 18th for ads and articles

## EDITORS NOTES OF INTEREST

I was very sorry to hear from TEC member Lee J. Liska of 721 Ojai Ave., Sun City Center, Florida 33570 of the sickness of his wife Mrs. Liska. She is now in a wheel-chair and we hope she makes a fast recovery. Our prayers are sent to the both of you from all the TEC officers and members. Please get well quick. It would be nice to send a get well card as you never know when you may be the one who could use some cheering up.

Happy 36th Anniversary to a very nice couple Jack and Peg Wilcox of 310 Washington Place, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902. Jack said, he is taking his lovely wife out on Valentines Day on February 14th, for a nice dinner to celebrate their 36 wonderful years together. Congratulations to you both from all the TEC officers and TEC members. Jack is one of our past TEC Board of Directors. May you both have many more happy years together.

Lester Besse, thank you for all the kind words you sent us as that's all the pay we get for doing the TEC NEWS. Also thank you for mentioning the free coin you received with the TEC NEWS. With out the kindness of these nice people that donate these coins there would be no coins. Many times these people go out of their way to have a special coin made as Irving Canter made, only to donate all to TEC to be given free to the members. It's nice when a member writes in and will thank us for these free coins. Then we know that the members do at times appreciate what other members do.

Our congratulations to TEC member Paul Aubry of 258 Main St., Apt. 40, Little Ferry, N.J. 07643 on getting married a few months ago. By the time you read this it will be a few months. May you have many, many happy years together. Again congratulations to you both from the TEC officers and members.

If any of you TEC members get the Private Coin Collectors magazine there are two very interesting articles on elongated coins in the February 1982 issue. One article was written by Dr. Sol Taylor and told how coins were once placed on Trolley Tracks, which is a no-no now, so children don't try this. Dr. Taylor also wrote about "how rolled coins are made, the oldest rolling machine dates back to 1893, few foreign elongated coins and about an elongated coin book on this subject of elongated coins.

Lee Martin wrote about the stretched U.S. coins a record of Events in Metal, Dull coins become Story Pieces and Uncle Sam Winks at the elongated coins. All these articles are a must to read and put the elongated coins way out front. No more pushing them back where no one could see them. Now most dealers have the coins locked in their show cases on the Bourse tables at coin conventions and coin shows. As President of TEC I must thank Dr. Sol Taylor and Lee Martin for the outstanding articles on elongated coins and on collecting them.

The next deadline for articles and ads is May 18 and must be at my home by then. Send all articles and ads to editor Sally Kirka 116 Oak Street, Manchester, Conn. 06040. We need good articles but make it short as long articles will go in two parts and two issues. Have any questions please write and I will try and help. Don't forget the deadline May 18th for ads and articles.

Send all 1982 dues to Al Kirka 116 Oak Street, Manchester, Conn. 06040. The deadline for dues is March 31st.



## EDITORS NOTES OF INTEREST

Received a full page price list of elongated coins from Roy S. Fowler Sr. Before I forget there are two Fowler's as there is a Vance Fowler too. I know one is the father and the other is the son. I did not figure which is which yet. Anyhow going back to Roy's price list. As people write to me from all around to ask me about the different coins sold, I read his list carefully and thought I'll take him up on his bargains, as it sure sounded good. I sent my money in at once and just as quickly I received the 30 elongated coins I ordered. Believe me I received a very nice surprise in the mail. As soon as Al opened the package I was looking over every coin I received and folks take my word, that was a very good buy I bought for my money. The dies are really something to brag about so you know the coins are outstanding. Folks, you won't be sorry if you order these elongated coins from Roy S. Fowler, Sr., 4048 Pentiction Circle N.E., Salem, Oregon 97305.

Just so I don't hurt anyones feeling since I've started the Buy-Sell-Trade pages I found out many, many real nice elongated coins are made by the many TEC rollers of elongated coins. As I received the sample coins from them I've said to myself what hard working rollers of elongated coins we have out there. Folks don't wait to long to buy the coins the dealers are selling while the price is right. I have a feeling you just may get a list of good rare pieces for your collection. Once a die is destroyed, thats it. So far since getting my job of editor back I found out elongated coins are better than ever. You have your chance to buy any elongated coins you want, so see and read our Buy-Sell-Trade pages and then order the coins from the top dealers of elongated coins in the country. Remember all the rest who are selling their elongated coins to. I myself know of one coin that sold for \$10. only a few years ago, now sells for \$100.

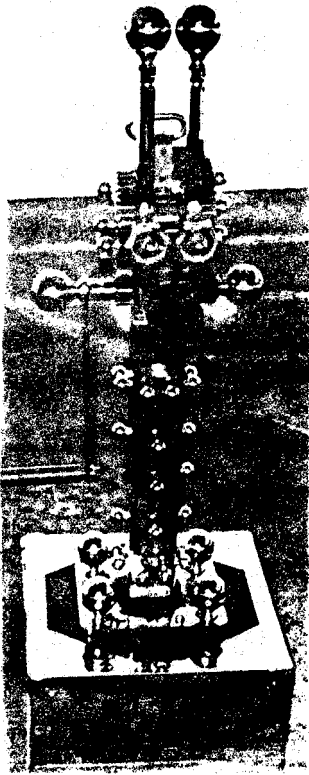
Thomas Barni had some kind of mix up with his 1981 dues and didn't receive all his TEC NEWS for 1981. I think we have it all ironed out now. I do not have any extra 1981 TEC NEWS to send you. We are very sorry about all this and hope the 1982 year will be better for you. Always make sure we have your correct address.

Received word from our good friend Chuck C. Strickland of how sick he has been lately and is at home from the Veterans Hospital now recuperating. We are sorry to hear this Chuck and we are sending our prayers hoping you get well soon. In our hearts we haven't forgotten you but did not know of your illness. So our get well wishes from the TEC officers and members. Anyone wishing to send Chuck a get well card or a letter can write to this address, Charles C. Strickland, 3405 University Blvd., E., Tuscaloosa, Al. 35404. Remember it could be you that is in his place, so remember a get well card goes a long way to cheer a sick person up.

Take our mistakes with a kiss and our love for you. As at times our eyes are very tired from working so long.

The next deadline for TEC NEWS is May 18th. All articles and ads must be at my home before that date to make the next issue. So please if you have a good article about elongated coins send it right in. We will appreciate your help on this. Send to Editor Sally Kirka, 116 Oak Street, Manchester, Conn. 06040. Good articles wanted.

# WHAT IN THE WORLD IS THAT THING? by Roy S. Fowler Sr Salem, Oregon



In the October-November-December 1980 issue of TEC I mentioned that I have many odd comments about my coin elongating machine and that I was making a list of them. Well, folks I am now up to 15 guesses (that are printable, that is) and am passing them on to you.

Some of the guesses readily tell what the person has been, or has done in his or her lifetime. For instance;

A typical "farmer type" couple walked up and when I asked them if they knew what the machine was they commented that it looked like some kind of CREAM SEPARATOR. I would have guessed a lot of different odd things, but never a cream separator. I'm strickly a city boy. I mentioned in that earlier article that several people thought that it was an ORANGE SQUEEZER or some kind of POPCORN POPPER, but this next one really floored me. They thought that it looked like a RESUSCITATOR of some kind! Well, it is chrome, and it is a machine, but a resuscitator???

I'm not sure what went on in the minds of these next two men, but one said it was some kind of BALL BEARING MAKER and the other thought that I must be selling TRAILER HITCH BALLS.

A fellow dressed in work clothes walked up and asked me if it was a new WELL DRILLER. Seemed a little disappointed when I told him what it was. Walked away muttering to himself. Like they say, there is a story for every person out there. I sure would liked to have known what his was. I literally cracked up when the old gentleman one day said that it was some sort of "newfangled WALNUT CRACKER". (Sorry about the pun.) A teenager thought it was a TAFFY PULLER, as he stood there munching on a candy bar.

Most young people, especially those of pre-adolescent years think it is a ROBOT. I have been tempted to put a couple of those wiggly eye things on the two large chrome balls on top of the machine but so far have resisted. An ex-GI type thought that it was a POTATO PEELER. Probably reminded him of his Army days somehow. They sure didn't have anything like a potato peeler when I was in the service. They had lots of them, all two legged! Maybe the new Army is different.

This one had me puzzled. Never having been around one or even heard of one before, but this gentleman thought it was a ROPE WINDER. Evidently there was some sort of machine that used to be turned by hand that wound strands of rope together. Some old-timers probably know what it is, but I don't.

When this lady said it was a SLOT MACHINE, I had to admit that it was. It is a machine and it does have a slot in it and coins do come out the front of it, but???? I couldn't resist laughing with the man that thought that it was a TORTURE RACK. I don't know for sure, but he must have been watching some old movies. This last one wasn't really made for me. I just overheard it as two men walked by. One evidently asked the other what my machine was and the other said, "I don't know what the \*\$%& it is, but it must be a male, look at all the b---- on it!

The picture of my machine is so you get an idea what these people were looking at. I'm sure you have all seen one like it somewhere. The guy behind it is grinning like he is having a good time and believe me folks, I am!

## A LITTLE BIT OF THIS AND THAT

by Lee Martin, N.L.G.  
Beaumont, Calif.

The wonderful world of elongated coin collecting offers so much to the coin collector that I often wonder why our hobby isn't the number one non-date collecting phase in numismatics.

Which branch of exonumia is number one? Some will say that more people collect wooden money, others will point to the popularity of paper money and a large group will be sure that error coins is the outstanding section.

I really do not know which is the most popular and I suppose it doesn't make much difference unless one is a dealer. I do not know that our coin field is diversified enough to satisfy every appetite.

Just a few magnets for the collector follow.

1. Patriotic tokens, 2. Hard time tokens, 3. Store cards, 4. Gambling tokens, 5. "Good fors" (tokens that state Good for one drink or good for whatever is being advertised.) 6. Transportation tokens, 7. World War II ration tokens, 8. Medals and this group is sectionalized into a wide area such as military, sports, presentation awards, Peace, World Fair, Mint medals, Presidential Inaugurations, etc. 9. Variety coins, sometimes grouped with error coins but dating back to the early large cent variations. 10. Specializing in proof coinage.

The list of divisions in the hobby is almost endless and it depends on the personal involvement of the collector as to where he or she will concentrate.

With all the attractions for a collector as rivals, the collector of stretched coins must do all in his or her power to tell others all about the facinations of our hobby. I usually stress the wide range of material, the inexpensive cost of purchasing coins that are truly representations of history. Not to be overlooked is the creativity of the roller. The individuals in this hobby merit publicity, not only because they are dedicated but because they often work at a financial loss.

Novelty and elongated coins go hand in hand. The Kirkas hand colored coins are stand outs. Several individuals produce beautiful covers with the coins and stamp as a happily wedded duo. I like Jayros's unusual coin with card that tells the story in an educational package.

There have been several rollers producing actual photos on coins and other experts have come up with complete denominational sets. Frank Brazzell is a very diversified roller and is one of the few advertising nationally. Several individuals have produced complete booklets with listings of their releases. I could go on and on detailing the efforts of our rollers and I know I've overlooked some very prominent ones so please forgive me if you are one of those by-passed. (I assure you it is not deliberate.)

It all adds up to a list of assets that cannot be matched by any other phase of the hobby and those who are not interested in elongated coinage are closing their eyes to a field with treasures known as appreciation of art, language, history and most of all FUN!

I would like to add a few words about the book which Dottie Dow and I put together. YESTERDAY'S ELONGATEDS has been well received and we wish to say thank you. At this juncture of time I have no plans for another printing but I do not know if Dottie will reprint or not. There are about 300 soft cover editions and a lot less than 50 hard covers left. Price remains \$27.00 per Library edition (hard cover) and \$22.00 per soft cover. Dealers include Rich Hartzog, Ray Wasosky, Leonard Sterling, Sequoia Numismatics and UNCAP.

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## A LITTLE BIT OF THIS AND THAT

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If you do not know the address of a dealer you can order direct from Lee Martin, Box 667, Beaumont, Calif. 92223. Please give preference to the dealer. (The actual price per book is \$25 and \$20 but \$2.00 is added for postage.)

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## THREE NEW JERSEY ELONGATED DESIGNS FOR 1981

by Jack Wilcox  
New Brunswick, N.J.

Taking advantage of Frank Brazzell's IKO-TAMS BULLETIN'S ad "flat" fee of \$50.00 for 250 elongated coins, your design, anytime in 1981 for IKO-TAMS members I sent in three designs, taking advantage of Frank's bargain offer.

First design is the Perth Amboy, N.J. ferry issue features the "Maid of Perth" ferry boat. The idea for this came from meeting the president of W.A.T.E.R.--Waterfront Association to Effect Restoration of the Perth Amboy, N.J. ferry slip. I used a postcard view of the ferry and roughed out the lettering to my liking. I donated half the order to W.A.T.E.R. for their use.

Second design is a New Jersey Exonomia Society membership issue, featuring the "Jersey Devil". This resulted from my coming in second place in the Logo contest our newly formed club N.J.E.S. held. Only lost by two votes. Again the idea came from a postcard view. (remember I can't draw). Each member received this issue via the newsletter.

Third design is our eleventh Christmas issue, features a Christmas Tree and "Mr. Zip". My wife Peg came up with this idea. This holiday designing a Christmas storecard first started for the 1971 season, missed doing one for 1972. I have continued each season since.

All told I've worked out 17 different elongated coin designs over these past ten years. Not bad for not owning a rolling machine. It is fun creating your own thing and really not all that difficult or expensive as one might think. Try it and see.

Note, the three elongated coins mentioned above are available, but the supply is limited, as most were donated or sent out at Christmas time. Price is \$2.00 plus self-addressed-stamped-envelope while the supply lasts. My address is, 301 Washington Place, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902.

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## CORRECTIONS ON PAST SECRETARY'S REPORT

There are three corrections on the past secretary's report that stand correcting.

1. It was Richard Grabowski that was voted in as Vice President and not Chester Grabowski.
  2. Also nothing was mentioned that president Sally Kirka also had Al Kirka pass out rolled out nickels during the TEC meeting of her A.N.A. convention elongated coin that she had rolled out. There were less than 40 of these coins made and a small limited amount of this coin was rolled on nickels and given out at the TEC meeting.
  3. Also Eric H. Goodwin wrote in that his name was misspelled and should have been Goodwin and not Goodman. Sorry Eric but that's the way it was on the the past secretary's report. Thank you for bringing it to our attention.
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DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE MAY 18, 1982

WE NEED TEC NEWS ARTICLES - SEND THEM IN NOW

## OPERATION "SPEAK"

BY JACK ROSENBLUTH  
YORK, PA.

After recently moving to York, Pa. and joining the White Rose Coin Club, I was asked if I would speak on what I collected at one of the future meetings. When I told the president of the club that I collected elongated coins, he said that would be very interesting as they had never had anyone to speak on that subject or facet of coin collecting. So I of course said yes without any hesitation. I suggested they include on the meeting notice that there would be a talk on elongated coins and due to their not having too many planned programs for the meetings in general, that maybe this would bring out some members. Well it worked out just fine as there were double the amount in attendance as usual.

Now due to the fact that I am not a public speaker, I wondered how long to make my talk last etc. I consulted with the president and we came up with a time span of approximately thirty minutes with questions and answers following that. Everyone was so attentive and when the questions and answer period started the questions came one right after the other. I was surprised to say the least but I could see genuine interest was there and it lasted for over an hour. I also displayed some of my collection along with the book "Yesterdays Elongateds" by Lee Martin and Dettie Dow. That was enjoyed by everyone and even brought up more questions. I was also delighted by the comments made to me by some of the old time collectors when they came up to me and said they learned about something they did not know much about. I spoke about TEC and hopefully some will become collectors, of elongated coins and will join our club.

The club had also held their 13th Annual Coin Show in November 1981 at which time I donated one each of the three release of my Elong-coin-cards-TM for door prizes. When the door prizes were drawn, the winners were brought over and introduced to me. I took that opportunity to talk to them about elongated coins and showed them some of my collection. Hopefully the seeds being planted will develop roots and grow into new collectors to our hobby.

So for what it's worth, take or even make the opportunity to SPEAK and show your elongated coins anytime you have the chance. The more visible we can make the hobby, the more it will grow and flourish. That's the best thing that can happen to each and every collector. Won't you take a part in that excitement?

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DOUG FAIRBANKS ELONGATE WAREHOUSE

by O. Wilson Morgan  
Richmond, Ind.

After a conversation with another T.E.C. member I've begun to wonder, if the members of T.E.C. realize how lucky we are to have such a place as Dougs Warehouse to send to when we are in need of that one elusive elongated coin.

More and more I find myself looking forward to receiving that HUGE sales list. Which, not only lists hard to find pieces, but prices them at a figure within my budget.

Sure, I thought some of his rarer pieces were a little higher in price than I could go, but on asking around the states, found to my surprise, he was as low priced as anyone.

Then too, his willingness to "carry-me" for a goodly sum, on my word alone, gave me the impression I was a very trustworthy fellow, or he was a P-poor business man.

All I have to do when I want to fill a category, is, make up a want list, send it to good old Doug, sit back, prop up my feet and let him do the work, the searching, what ever it takes. Sooner or later, here comes Dougs answer, "Gotcha one".

Did I ever tell you of the time, after I had retired and was living on a budget when I sent in to him several "WANTS" of different categories and he, "Mr. Doug", sent me \$1700.00 worth of elongated coins. I sent most back, and he just laughed and said I'd be sorry and you know, I have been ever since. Ha!

His listings are not of the mail bid type, but a list of fixed prices that lets you know from the start just what it's going to cost you. Of course, there's always mail insurance added, but you'll have to talk to Uncle Sam if you want to debate that point. Ha! P.S. No, I've never met him.

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